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REMARKS

Present Status of the Application

Examiner indication of allowable subject matter in claims 1-4 and 6-18, and that

claims and that would be allowable if amended to overcome the objections and or

rejections of claims 1 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. 112 as set forth in the outstanding Office

Action, is noted with great appreciation. In response thereto, Applicant would like to

thank the Examiner for pointing out the informalities and accordingly amended claims 1,

6, 7, 14 and 15 in order to expedite an earlier allowance of the above-identified

application.

Furthermore, Applicant has amended the specification and Figures, replacement

sheets of which are herewith attached, in order to correct some minor informality

indicated the Examiner and thereby overcome the objections/rejections set forth in the

outstanding Office Action.

It is believed no new matter adds by way of amendments to claims or otherwise

to the application. For at least the following reasons, Applicant respectfully submits

that Claims 1-4 and 6-18 are in proper condition for allowance and reconsideration of

this application is respectfully requested.

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The Objections

1. The Office Action objected to the specification because of the following deficiencies:

Paragraph 0032, lines 5 and 6, and paragraph 0036 lines 3-7, although the specification refers to a plurality of adjusting elements 5211 being mounted on the rotating set 521, it appears that only one of the elements is movable with the adjusting groove 44 (see Fig. 3 and 4). The other element appears to be mounted in a fixed position in the chassis 4. If both adjusting elements 5211 are rigidly mounted on rotating set 521, then both adjusting elements must be free to move rotationally about the axial member 5212 of the rotating set 521.

In paragraph 0032, lines 7-9, the operation of the resilient element 5213 is ambiguous. It is unclear whether the resilient element 5213 is a tension or a compression spring.

Paragraph 0032, line 11, the term "member" should read "members"

Paragraph 0032, lines 10-12, it is unclear how the stop member 5222 interact with the rest of the apparatus. Do said stop members restrict the rotational movement of the rotating set 521? If so, is the rotation of the rotating member set restricted by said stop members engaging the sidewall of the chassis 4.

Paragraph 0036, the described "side to side" shaking movement of the stop member appears to be contrary with the configuration presented in Figures 3-9. The stop members, per said configuration, appear to release the rotational movement of the rotating set by being pushed downward into the top sidewall of the chassis 4 by a coin being advanced by the supporting elements 212 of the rotating plate.

Paragraph 0036, line 4, the term "member" should read "members".

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Paragraph 0036, line 5, the term "it" should read "them".

Clarification is required.

In response thereto, Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for pointing out the informality and accordingly amended paragraphs 0032 and 0036 as shown above. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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The Rejections

1. The Office Action rejected claims 1-4 and 6-18 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first

paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement.

In rejecting the above claims, the Examiner stated that the disclosure fails to

adequately describe how the rotating set of the Applicant's independent claim 1 or the

ejecting element of the Applicants independent claim 10 operate due to deficiencies of the

specification. Appropriate correction is required.

In response thereto, Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for pointing out

the informality and accordingly amended the specification as shown above. Furthermore,

Applicant respectfully submits that the stop members (5222) do not restrict the rotational

movement of the rotating set (521), the axial member (5212) of the rotating set (521)

serves as a axis of rotation for the movable adjusting element (5211) to move within the

adjusting groove (44) under the tensional force applied on the resilient element (5213).

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

2. The Office Action rejected claims 1-4, 6-9 and 14-16 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first

paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement.

In rejecting the above claims, the Examiner stated that the term "resilient element(s)

in claim 1, claim 6, claim 7 and claim 14 fail to comply with the disclosure and should

read "resilient member(s)". Appropriate correction is required.

In response thereto, Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for pointing out

the informality and accordingly amended claims 1, 6-7 and 14-15. Reconsideration is

respectfully requested.

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CONCLUSION

For at least the foregoing reasons, it is believed that all the pending claims 1-4 and 6-18 of the present application are in proper condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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